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4. (Unclassified - [REDACTED]) George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy staff, called to start blocking out possible times for the Director to appear before the Joint Committee for the annual briefing. Murphy suggested the possibilities of March 10, 11, 17, 18 and 19. After checking with the Director's office, I advised Murphy that Mr. McCone would not be available on the 10th or 11th but might possibly give the briefing on one of the other three dates. Without making a specific commitment it was agreed that we would determine whether Mr. McCone would give the briefing between the 17th and 19th. I have alerted OSI and [REDACTED] who will check the Director on this in the next communication with him. OSI advised that there was very little change in the situation since the last briefing and I have passed this on to Murphy. However, I am sure the Joint Committee will still want the Director to make an appearance at a convenient time.

5. (Unclassified - [REDACTED]) Talked with David Martin, in the office of Senator Thomas J. Dodd, regarding his draft release of a rebuttal to the Starnes article. Martin said that the Senator had not decided just how he wished to present this. Martin said he had agreed with the suggestion I made yesterday that the specific statements regarding the situation in Cuba at the time of the Batista decline and the references to William Vieland should be excluded from the text and this has been done.

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8. (Internal Use Only - [REDACTED]) advised that Congressman Paul F. Schenk (R., Ohio) has requested information from the Department of State concerning the use of the [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] in the analysis of intelligence information prior to the Bay of Pigs. State Department will be responding and denying the allegations set forth in the Drew Pearson column of some weeks ago.

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